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Argentina '78

World Cup

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8.)

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**Fitzroy faces a stiff penalty and
Middle Park is likely to be off limits
for PSL matches following last
Saturday's ugly riot in which referee
Dave Yelland was bashed
unconscious.**

The PSL management com-
mittee is expected to meet in
Sydney this week to deal with
the ugliest disturbance so far
encountered in the League.

PSL chairman Sam Papasavas
and MC member Tony Kovac,
who were at the match, will ap-
pear as witnesses — but have
declined to sit in judgment over
a fellow Melbourne club.

Papasavas is with South
Melbourne and Kovac with
Footscray.

The hearing will be conducted
by Charles Carusso and co-
opted members Alex Pongrass
and Frank Lowy.

All the available evidence so
far suggests that Fitzroy failed to
control their crowd after the
game.

Hundreds invaded the field
and some began punching and
kicking Yelland whose only pro-
tection came from a few West
Adelaide players.

Five Greek Fitzroy supporters
were allowed to surge into the
referee's dressing room where
they assaulted him.

With this, the first major dilem-
ma of the PSL has arrived.

Any minor club in Australia
would be harshly dealt with —
but Fitzroy is no minor club: only
a week earlier they set a new
PSL attendance record.

They are one of the four Greek-
supported clubs in the PSL
which is heavily based on Greek
and Italian following.

To make the situation even
more ticklish, both the ASF presi-
dent, Sir Arthur George, and the
PSL chairman, Sam Papasavas,
are Greco-Australians.

There is no doubt that
episodes like these — in recent
years almost exclusively con-
fined to Melbourne teams — do
bring the game into disrepute.

We can't imagine that Philips,

sponsors of the League, would
be too amused.

Only last week we criticised
the structure of the PSL which
was so strongly orientated
towards purely ethnic clubs.

Also last week the Victorian
Federation bravely repudiated
charges from leaders of the VFL
that soccer in Melbourne is a
"foreign sport".

Whatever investigation and
penalties will follow, let this be
another warning to the PSL that
their league is not really na-
tional, only nationalistic.

Perhaps the ASF — supreme
authority over the PSL — will
show the courage it has lacked
until now and restructure the
whole edifice.

If it doesn't, it will merely in-
vite not only more troubles but
also the continued scorn of the
Australian sporting public.

One question it must pose and
answer, concerns the wisdom of
having two Greek-based teams
in one city, knowing the back-
ground of Greek migrant politics.

We all know that we live in a
violent age; hijackings and kid-
nappings are commonplace;
airports are stormed and
damaged, innocent bystanders
are shot down in cold blood in
cities around the world.

But soccer is supposed to be
a game, fun and hardly the oc-
casion to let steam off in such a
barbaric way.

Fitzroy fans might be frustrat-
ed over real or alleged
grievances — as suggested in
last Tuesday's "Australian" — but
this still does not excuse them
for importing to Australia the
very same violence for which
Greek domestic soccer is
notorious.



"Be a good chap now and leave," Marconi goalie Alan Maher seems to be saying to
team mate Ivo Prskalo after his dismissal at Wentworth Park on Sunday.

Go where, West men?

**Western Suburbs secretary Gordon Stratford denied suggestions
made in Sydney this week that the club has decided to abandon playing
at Englefield Stadium at Dural.**

"I have just returned from leave and have not yet had time to
investigate the source of the information," Stratford said.

However, the poor attendances at Wests' home matches at
Dural is bound to keep rumors flying. Only 500 saw the Brisbane
City clash on Sunday.

Wests moved out of an apparent vacuum at Drummoyne Oval
into a near-country situation at Dural, where it will take a few years
of patient, well-directed promotion to win out.

No doubt they have a commitment to Northern Districts Sporting
Promotions, the owners of the stadium, who shifted
Gladesville-Hornsby Second Division club out to provide Philips
League football in the area.

It seems that if progress involves too long a term at Dural,
Wests might be tempted to try a central western suburbs location
such as Lidcombe Oval if it becomes available.

Alternatively they could return to the near city and provide for
those close-in, disillusioned Italian fans for starters.

Certainly there has been increased Italian interest at the plush
Five Dock social club.

Beyond that again there would probably be no better solution
than a Wests-APIA merger.

We utterly refuse to believe that such a combination would be
as hard to achieve as peace in the Middle East.

These days many of the administrators involved in such clubs
even went to school together in Sydney.

PSL manager John Frank wants to see the League's weaknesses
tightened up as soon as possible.

"We want the people concerned to talk constructively on these
problems," he said.

"The game can progress again as soon as sound solutions are
thrashed out," he said.

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MURRAY BARNES' father died suddenly last week and the international star had to miss Sunday's clash. We offer our condolences to his family.

Good news for Sydney soccer: KEVIN D'ARCY, undoubtedly the best match organiser and marshal, has returned after a few years in Melbourne and will be soon seen in action when the international matches come along.

GARY BYRNE suffered a serious knee injury last Sunday when he was tackled by Ernie Campbell — a former team-mate...

BILL VROLYKS, secretary of the NSW Coaches Federation, and his good lady are in the course of moving to Koolewong, the stop past Woy Woy, where they have purchased a historic old home with a 180° view of the water. If some Newcastle First Division or Central Coast club is on the lookout for a coach with

top NSW First Division credentials we know where they can get one!

Irish lad BILLY HILL was making a name for himself with Manly-Warringah as a defender but had to return home due to an illness in the family. The club will be glad to welcome him back within the next couple of weeks.

MANLY officials were very unhappy with a statement made that their players are the lowest paid in State League, as it simply is not true. In addition to normal outgoings the club is stretching itself to instal seating on the Western embankment at Cromer Park, and will have the new press box completed soon.

The NSW under-19 team's preparations for the Australian championships, held in Brisbane next month, have started under State coach JOE VLASITS. The

CLUB PATROL

squad of 20 trains once a week, together with the full NSW State squad, on Wednesday evenings at Garside Park.

WESTS have secured a new striker from England, in ANDY SCOTT, 22, who stands at 6ft 2in and had experience with Bury and Stockport.

HECTOR MARTINEZ was set to come back to Manly, when an opportunity arose to join Canberra club, Croatia Deakin. The South American striker has now settled in Canberra.

RON GEEKIE has returned to the Manly fold, having previously decided to concentrate on building his home at Hornsby Heights. He is one of a young Manly defence that includes Chris Cassettari, 21, John Dick, 19, Bruce Doyle, 21, Bob Geoghegan, 21, Roolie Roozendaal, 23, Geekie himself is 22.

Keen coach FRED DAYNEY has taken over with Blacktown Wanderers in the Sydney Amateur League. The team did him proud by opening with a 4-0 win over Mt Busby.

HA KOAH'S newly formed ladies' team boasts of some illustrious names: Sue Smith (Bobby's wife), Margit Jankovics (Mark's sister) and Wendy Illingworth as well as Joanne Calamas, Geoff Illingworth's sister and girlfriend. They are sponsored, appropriately by Dolly Dolly ladies' wear.

SUTHERLAND feel that although they have hit a slump in the past few weeks, there is enough enthusiasm within the club to help fight their way out of it. However, the Sharks will have to really pull their socks up, for they are battling against a Sydney 'tradition' that any club which

does well in the pre-season Ampol Cup has a mediocre, if not poor championship run. The 1-0 defeat of APIA showed signs of a recovery, but complacency could be the killer for the Sharks.

Great news for Croatia is that their talented young striker MARIJAN 'CURLY' KOVACIC, has thrown off a knee injury and is likely to resume training with the team this week. It is generally agreed that had it not been for his untimely injury, Marijan could have gained a place in the NSW State team. However, the door has not permanently closed, and it would not surprise to see him link up with team mate Ian Stone at a later stage.

Sutherland's STEVE MEADES returned to playing last week when he turned out for the second team after coming back from a four-week injury spell.

Last week's match between Yugal and Granville at CONCORD OVAL was a rather sentimental journey, for it was the first time in almost 15 years that any First Division football had been played on the ground.

As was reported a few weeks ago, Sutherland's JOHNNY LAVIN has been suffering from an Achilles tendon problem. Johnny Watkiss feels that Lavin should take a few weeks off to get rid of the injury, which is hampering his style and could be affecting the rest of the team. John Lavin is also the coach of the Sharks' third grade side.

Melita will almost certainly be without PHIL MIKAS for the next two to three weeks as the talented defender is suffering from strained ligaments which need rest to heal.

Croatia's other talented young midfielder, VLADIMIR DUDARIC, is slowly recovering from an injury he received in the Ampol Cup, and could well be challenging for a first team spot soon. Competition within the club for regular spots will be extra keen in the coming matches as players hope to press their claims for a spot on the touring party that will go to the USA and Canada.

If Sutherland's PETER WYKES looks unusually nervous in the next few weeks, he will have a valid excuse; his wife Rosalyn is expecting their first child soon.

In recognition of the great services GEORGE BUTLER gave to Melita Eagles in his short four month stay with the club, Melita held a sending off party for him last Wednesday which players, officials and fans attended. George earned great respect in his short stay, and the club hopes that if he ever returns to Australia he will again play for the Eagles.

The young Sutherland striker with the ideal name for a striker, RICHARD HAMMER, will be out of action for awhile as a result of a hamstring injury.

Melita are almost 100 per cent certain that they will sign former Croatia man VERNON DARVILL by this weekend. Negotiations were carried out last week, and details whether they were successful were not available at press time. However, it was rumoured that Melita were willing to pay any reasonable transfer fee placed on Vernon, and the only problems concerned the player's demands.

Whilst there was a strong inkling within the Sutherland club that CRAIG HALL would be selected in the NSW State team,

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it came as a pleasant surprise when MALCOLM HAYNES, their strapping goalkeeper, was also called up by "Uncle" Joe. John Watkiss feels that the selection was an overdue reward of Mal for his many years of consistent keeping. Mal has been playing in first grade soccer for four years now, even though he is still only 22.

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CLUB WON ITS FIRST TITLE IN '25

— By a Special Correspondent —

The winter season in South Australia kicks off on Saturday, April 15 and it promises to be a very interesting one indeed.

Virtually all clubs from the first to the third divisions have been busily re-building and strengthening their sides in the hope of winning a premiership, cup or gaining promotion.

Whilst the two top divisions have always tended to grab the limelight, this year for the first time attention will be focussed on the third division for two reasons.

Firstly the two PSL sides Adelaide City and West Adelaide have entered teams here and secondly under the new format for 1979 the third division will, as such, disappear.

Next year the first and second divisions will be known as the Rothmans State League and the third division will become the Metropolitan League, Division One.

Obviously clubs playing in the third division this year do not wish to lose their status and every team will be going all out to finish on top in the hope of gaining entry into the second division.

One club really intent on making it is West Torrens. Club Secretary Sam Portolesi made mention of this to me last week

and for this reason we have chosen to spotlight this club.

West Torrens is one of the older Adelaide clubs established before the big influx of migrants who have built up the clubs of today with the biggest standing and support.

Early records show that West Torrens won its first premiership in 1925 and repeated this feat in 1928, 1929, 1932, 1936, 1939 and 1941.

On top of this they were Federation Cup winners in 1925, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1939, 1940 and 1946.

Unfortunately the club ceased to exist in the late 1940s but was

re-formed again in 1967 and admitted to the third division.

Persons responsible for its re-formation were Messrs B. Biggs, J. Youngs and Bill Fuller, who is still with the club; indeed both he and his wife are Life Members.

The club runs three sides and its seniors have won the Third Division Rowley Cup for the past two years.

The club is proud of producing its own talent through the junior side. They were premiers in 1969 and were finalists in the 1977 Junior Cup.

The following players have all come through from the junior ranks: Donald Cox, Martin and Andy Albrow, Colin Avon, Wayne Cursaro, Peter Craven and Norm Holdcroft (who last year won the Third Division's Best and Fairest Medal).

The club is presently negotiating for its own ground and clubrooms in the popular West Beach area of Adelaide.

The club's committee is very soccer-oriented.

President of the club Tony Mazzone, a notable Adelaide businessman played for Adelaide Juventus as a junior and has been with the club since its re-formation, as has Secretary Sam Portolesi.

Sam played for the local Austria club between 1961 and 1967 when he joined West Torrens. He is still a registered player of the club.

Treasurer of the club is Robert Dorigo who played for George Cross in Melbourne before coming to Adelaide. He, too, is still playing for the club and recently gained his Preliminary Coaching badge of the ASF.

Other members of the committee include Paul Dimella and Lou Hlawka who are also players.

Paul Dimella is a builder by



Sam Portolesi.



Standing left to right: M. Cursaro; S. Portolesi; R. Dorigo; T. Trentleman; J. Rickus; T. Morretti; D. Melhuish; M. Grimaldi; M. Albrow; P. Carmelengo; M. Sharp; C. Martin; W. Cursaro; P. Dimella; C. Avon; E. Garofalo; S. Pearce; J. Giro; W. Robinson; L. Hlawka; C. Horvath (coach). Sitting, left to right: T. Mazzone; P. Crocker; C. Carmelengo; D. Cox; A. Albrow; P. Craven; J. Slager; P. Mazzone; K. Raupach; N. Holdcroft.

Coaching the side is the likeable Charlie Horvath who in his day was one of the best goalkeepers in Australia.

Coming from Hungary in 1956 he had a distinguished career with Budapest, Polonia, Croatia, Adelaide Juventus, Beograd, Campbelltown City and a spell with Hakoah in Sydney.

In all, he represented SA 19 times and played once for Australia against Ferencvaros in 1957, all of which gained him Player Life Membership of the SASF.

Nowdays he is working for SOCOMIN and is also responsible for the coaching of PSL club Adelaide Juventus' goalkeepers.



Charlie Horvath (left) and Lou Hlawka.

As a player he was with Sydney Austral in 1957 before moving to Manly. In 1963 he was a first team player with St. George-Budapest. On coming to Adelaide he joined Windsor in 1969.

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Tony Mazzone.

ALL MATCH DATES OF '78

April 15: Adelaide City at Olympic Sport Field.

April 22: Flinders University at West Beach.

April 25: Cup rounds.

April 29: SAIT at Levels playing fields.

May 6: Brighton City at West Beach.

May 13: West Adelaide at Hindmarsh Stadium.

May 20: Noarlunga at West Beach (X).

May 27: Noarlunga City at Noarlunga.

June 3: Adelaide City, West Beach (X).

May 15: Cup rounds.

June 10: Adelaide University at University grounds.

June 12: Cup rounds.

June 17: Adelaide City, West Beach.

June 24: Flinders University, South Rd., Bedford Park.

July 1: SAIT, West Beach.

July 8: Brighton City at Brighton.

July 15: Cup rounds.

July 22: West Adelaide at West Beach.

July 29: Noarlunga City at Noarlunga (X).

August 5: Noarlunga City at West Beach.

August 12: Cup rounds.

August 19: Adelaide City at West Beach (X).

August 26: Adelaide University at West Beach.

The 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd all cup dates.

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St. George

2 (1)

ST. GEORGE: Coe 3, Utjesenovic 3, Terry 3, J. O'Shea 3, Harris 3, Grosse 4, Jones 3, Gnani 3, Hensman 4, Morgan 3 (R. O'Shea: 63m, 3), O'Connor 4.

Goals: 1-0 O'Connor (13m), (42m), 1-3 Harris (o.g. 72m), 2-3 Jones (73m). **Referee:** D. Rennie. **Crowd:** 1637.

Newcastle were fated to pull off their exciting first Philips League win, even though there were times when St George were within a hairsbreadth of closing the gap. The fact of the matter was that United gave 90 minutes of sustained football, whereas Saints collapsed in a heap after 60, to thereafter rely largely on their wingers, the orthodox but pacy Peter Hansman and the tricky Phil O'Connor. The way that Newcastle put their game together in the second half spoke volumes for their keenness to achieve, particularly as it followed an early period in which the defence had been creaky. Rudi Gnani and Paul Jones toiled intelligently for Saints in the first half, but they became more and more a shadow of their former selves as the minutes ticked away. Saints got some great balls to the head of Neville Morgan on the far post. Once he was marginally offside in scoring and

Newcastle

3 (2)

NEWCASTLE: Dando 3, Willis 3, Endacott 3 (Catalovski: 62m), Mason 4, Summerscales 4, Drinkwater 3, Hards 3, Curran 4, Boden 4, Galpin, 4, Amery 3.

Goals: 1-1 Endacott (16m), 1-2 Boden (42m), 1-3 Jones (73m). **Referee:** D. Rennie. **Crowd:** 1637.

later he sent the ball screaming a metre wide. O'Connor commenced Saints' scoring with an angled 13th minute drive, which was cancelled out by Neil Endacott after Mike Galpin had brilliantly cut out Paul Terry and slipped the ball into an impossible-to-miss position. In the 42nd minute Saints' defence fell for the oldest mistake in the book when they called offside and allowed the extremely clever Ken Boden to race through to skirt Martin Coe and score. Midway in the second half George Harris gave away an own goal and then Jones sprang to life to score for Saints. In spite of some quick and dangerous breaks, one of which saw Rob O'Shea shake the posts with a header, St. George's passing was quite sloppy in comparison with Newcastle's, and they hardly deserved to do better before time ran out.

— K. GILMOUR

East's Hakoah

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EASTS HAKOAH: Clarke 4, Mullen 3 (T. Smith: 76m), Mowbray 3, O'Connor 3, Thomson 1, B. Smith 4, Stevenson 5, Silva 5, Watson 3, Kershaw 3, Campbell 4.

Referee: B. Wilkinson. **Crowd:** 3598. **Cautions:** Mullen, O'Connor, Smith, Kershaw, Prskalo; **sent off:** Thomson, Prskalo.

Had all chances been taken — and a third minute penalty duly given for Marconi — this could have been a high-scoring affair and the talk of the town. As it was, halfway through the first period it degenerated into a spiteful, foul-ridden game with the referee rapidly losing control over the proceedings. Players were merrily hacking each other to bits and a handful of personal feuds sprung up from the moist turf. Ironically, the two expulsions were for technical sins: one for swearing and one for handling the ball while major crimes went unpunished. Marconi created the better chances in the first half: Byrne's volley in the 35th second of the match could have opened the score. Three times Paul Degney galloped down the left flank, sending in dream crosses only to see the men in the centre fritter them away. Easts, too,

Marconi

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MARCONI: Maher 4, Jones 3, Degney 5, Russell 3, Prskalo 1, Byrne 3 (Richards: 37m, 4), Rooney 3, Vieri 4, Jankovics 3, Mariani 3, Sharne 3.

could have banged in one or two when Campbell's header went wide and when Bobby Smith, facing only Maher failed with his job. Once Prskalo was sent off in the second half, Easts picked themselves up from the floor and took over Campbell's header in the 57th minute crashed against the post and six minutes later John Stevenson's shot was scrambled off the line by the Marconi defence. There was little doubt that Easts were gaining the upper hand and if the deadlock was to be broken, it would be done by them. Ten minutes from the end came their last chance: Campbell, clearly in a fiery mood, broke through, beat two defenders with a mazy run and then belted his shot from 14 metres over the bar.

— A. DETTRE

West. Suburbs

3 (1)

WESTERN SUBURBS: T. Eaton 3, Skellern 4, Turnbull 3, Noble (Rowden: 33m, 3), Wilson 4, Harding 4, Dodds 3, O'Donnell 3, Stone 5, C. Eaton 4, Fisher 2 (Scott: 46m, 4).

Goals: 0-1 Conner (17m), 1-1 Eaton (37m), 2-1 Scott (55m), 3-1 Perry (67m, own goal). **Referee:** R. Lorenc. **Crowd:** 500. **Cautions:** Turnbull.

After the early exchanges, with both teams testing the wet pitch, Brisbane City settled down quickly, and soon forced Western Suburbs on the defensive. Conner and Marley were stretching the defence, pulling them wide and when Caldwell burst down the centre, he had a clear passage to the goal, forcing Terry Eaton to come off his line. His partial clearance went to Conner whose shot bounced off Turnbull into the unguarded net. Wests persisted in playing without wingers, consequently their attacks either bogged down or were forced to shoot from a long range. A long throw in followed by a neat backheader from Dodds found Clive Eaton whose header put Wests

Brisbane City

1 (1)

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 3, Clarke 2 (Ibanez: 83m), Lavelle 3, Tokesi 4, Perry 4, Gaffney 3, Conner 3, Pimblett 3, Marley 3, Fagan 3, Caldwell 3 (Coyne: 53m).

on level terms. The second half was almost all Western Suburbs' as Brisbane City visibly wilted. The introduction into the attack of tall, well built newcomer Andy Scott, who gave a powerful display, provided a new zest to the forwards. Indeed, Scott put Wests ahead when he rose high to meet a corner from Stone and headed home a great goal. Perry had the misfortune of conceding an own goal when he headed an attempted clearance into his own net. But by this time it was all Wests who were on the rampage, easily holding their lead which they could have even increased towards the end.

— A. HENDERSON

Adelaide City

0 (0)

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 4, B. Nyskohus 3, Yung 4, Matic 4, Lister 4, Rigby 4, Melia 3, Jerin 4, Marocchi 3 (Marwe: 68m), P. Nyskohus 4, Northcote 3.

Goal: 0-1 D. Allan (57m). **Referee:** R. Kerr. **Crowd:** 5875. **Cautions:** Perin.

Adelaide City's hopes of challenging the PSL leaders crashed with their failure to grab both points in this game. City were ultra-confident following their draw against Marconi but they could not penetrate Olympic's sardine-tight defence. Olympic returned to their happy hunting ground at Hindmarsh Stadium, the scene of their 1-0 win over West Adelaide in round three and proceeded to repeat their successful exploits. City's first half performance of perpetual motion certainly deserved at least two goals, but Meier was Olympic's hero with some superb saves. One great header from Dave Rigby had goal written all over it as the ball sailed towards the top right-hand corner of the net, but Meier miraculously tipped it over his crossbar. City

Syd. Olympic

1 (0)

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 5, Palmer 4, Cross 4, G. Allan 4, McIntosh 5, Markland 4, Laing 4, Wilson 3, D. Allan 4 (Luckett: 88m), Senkalski 3, Ainslie 4.

should have learnt in the unproductive first 45 minutes that it was futile to try to beat the tall Olympic defence by pumping high balls into the centre. In the second stanza, however, City increased their percentage of lofted crosses into the goalmouth to play right into Meier's grasping hands. With Agenor Muniz sidelined because of an ankle injury and Alex Jamieson a training casualty on the morning of the match, both teams were forced to make changes. Olympic's non-sense approach contrasted sharply with City's flashy style resulting in a pleasing first half spectacle. After Olympic had taken the lead, however, frustrations overcame skill in the City camp as the equalising goal remained an impossible dream.

— A. CRISP

Brisbane Lions

2 (2)

BRISBANE LIONS: Lownds 5, Potter 3, Hermiston 5, Bennett 4, Amos 3, Neale 3, Venables 3, Niven 3 (Wilson: 57m), Laslo 3, Hughes 3, Morris 4.

Goals: 0-1 Cant (9m), 1-1 Laslo (13m), 1-2 Hermiston (o.g. 14m), 2-2 Hermiston (40m, pen). **Referee:** John Woods. **Crowd:** 3000. **Cautions:** Brown.

This was a highly entertaining match, exciting, controversial, goals and near goals, and lots of good football to boot. It was really a game of two halves, the first belonging to Canberra, who have improved out of sight as an entertainment unit, with some decisive positive play that brought a good goal, a forced error, and a host of near things in front of goal. Referee John Wood got off to a bad start when he "disallowed" a penalty claim when goalkeeper Lownds was instrumental in bringing down young Heywood as the striker was clean through. The question of "intent" was involved and the referee gave the benefit of the doubt to the prone goalkeeper. Canberra scored a good goal when Stoddart, the coolest player in the Canberra side, had a great run and cut the ball back for Cant to score. Four minutes later Laslo equalised after a good interpassing movement, and this

Canberra City

2 (2)

CANBERRA CITY: Tilsed 4, Brown 3, Milanovic 4, Henderson 4, Stark 4, Davies 4, Gruicic 3, Stoddart 5, Brown 4, Cant 4, Heywood 3 (Hogg for Gruicic: 76m).

again caused controversy as Woods ignored the linesman's flag. Debate again as the apparent offside player was away on the other side of goal and may not have been interfering with play. At this stage some Canberra players showed a sad lack of self-discipline and, indeed, were lucky not to get marching orders. Play rocketed up the field and from a dangerous cross Hermiston made his only error of the game, slicing the ball into his own net. Three goals in five minutes had the crowd going and it was good stuff until the 40th minute and again controversy, with a "technical" penalty award to Lions. Hermiston scored. The second half was Lions; their play improved and City lost a little of their edge. No more goals were scored though the home team struck the bar and the post with no one at home. A good advert for night football.

— J. BINNIE

Footscray

0

FOOTSCRAY: O'Hara 2, Hazabent 3, Lujic 4, Kondarios 5, Kriaris 2, Ilioski 2, Piciaone 5, Palinkas 3, Rujevic 3 (Ristic: 70m), Nikolaidis 3 (Martin: 70m), Vasic 3.

Goals: 0-1 Ollerton (44m), 0-2 Ollerton (74m). **Referee:** R. Henderson. **Crowd:** 5000. **Cautions:** Hazabent.

Peter Ollerton's aerial prowess has helped to lift South Melbourne to the aristocratic second spot on the table. Meeting many of the crosses pumped to him, Ollerton challenged for everything in the crowded Footscray penalty box — and twice he was on target. This was a fast and entertaining match with Footscray establishing a quick territorial dominance, mainly through Piciaone's endless running in midfield. But Footscray could not make much of this advantage due to bad shooting by Palinkas and Vasic. Sammy Wright excelled with his accurate passing from midfield while Kent was too clever for Hazabent every time he carried the ball down the left flank. Ollerton, Lutton and

Rogers all had chances yet the first goal was a gift by Kriaris. Hanging on to the ball near the corner flag, enabled Kent to rob him. Kent crossed to Hatzimanouel whose clearance went to Ollerton's deadly head. Two more goals were disallowed, one by Rogers and one by Hatzimanouel, before Ollerton put his final touch to the outcome. Lutton took a freekick from the right, Rogers flicked it on to Ollerton and his header again landed in the net. Although South Melbourne dominated the game in the second half, Footscray had chances to pull at least one goal back had Vasic not missed a sitter or had Palinkas beaten Hansen after a solo raid.

C. NIKOLOPOULOS

Fitzroy

1 (0)

FITZROY: Blasby 1, McMillan 3, Tansey 4, O'Reilly 3, Proven 3, Bannan 4, Taylor 3, Hay 2 (Bozikas: 46m), Campbell 3, Cole 3, Buljevic 4.

Goals: 1-0 Cole (71m), 1-1 Carruthers (92m). **Referee:** D. Yelland. **Crowd:** 3000. **Cautions:** Hay, Boyle, McMillan.

Fitzroy made mistakes galore and for that they had to share the points with the equally undisciplined West Adelaide. At the end, what appeared to be an inevitable win, turned into disaster for the hosts. Seconds before referee David Yelland blew his whistle, over-confident goalie Blasby moved off his line to collect a loose ball he had called for. Lack of communication with his defence created confusion and Eric Carruthers, standing close, nipped in to equalise comfortably. A see-sawing game was marked with defensive tactics, tough tackling and numerous midfield clashes. Both had brilliant scoring opportunities but

West Adelaide

1 (0)

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 3, Reynolds 3, Bozanic 4, McGachey 3, Kampas 4, Jones 3, Boyle 3, Carruthers 3, Zervas 3, Honeyman 4, McGregor 4.

terrible finishing prevented either team from going into a neat lead. Fitzroy had the better of the early exchanges but even Cole and Buljevic failed to push the ball over the line. Greek international Con Kampas reigned in the West Adelaide defence, intercepting and distributing accurately. Fitzroy went into the lead through Cole following a quick one-two with Buljevic. After the equaliser, scored in injury time, came the invasion of the field and the assault on the referee — amongst the ugliest scenes seen in Melbourne for some time.

— C. NIKOLOPOULOS



PHILIPS LEAGUE RESULTS

	Hakoah	Marconi	Fitzroy	Adel. City	West. Sub.	St. George	West Adel.	Footscray	Br. Lions	Br. City	South Melb.	Olympic	Canberra	Newcastle
Hakoah	P	0-0	2-1	16/4	23/7	20/8	6/8	25/6	1-3	2/7	30/4	28/5	14/5	11/6
Marconi	9/7	A	4-0	1-1	16/4	14/5	30/4	18/6	11/6	3-2	26/7	20/8	6/8	28/5
Fitzroy	18/6	4/6	1	21/5	0-3	23/7	1-1	27/8	14/5	1-0	2/7	30/4	16/7	6/8
Adel. City	16/7	2/7	20/8	1	30/4	1-0	28/5	0-1	6/8	18/6	14/5	0-1	4/6	23/4
West. Sub.	23/4	16/7	25/6	30/7	1	28/5	14/5	0-0	2-2	3-1	6/8	11/6	20/8	1-1
St. George	21/5	13/8	23/4	25/6	27/8	P	4/6	30/7	16/7	7/5	0-2	2/7	2-1	2-3
West Adel.	7/5	30/7	9/7	27/8	13/8	1-4	5	16/4	3-0	23/7	21/5	0-1	11/6	25/6
Footscray	1-1	0-2	28/5	11/6	2/7	30/4	16/7	P	20/8	4/6	0-2	6/8	23/7	14/5
Br. Lions	4/6	0-3	13/8	7/5	18/6	16/4	2/7	21/5	1	27/8	1-1	23/7	2-2	30/7
Br. City	0-3	25/6	11/6	2-1	9/7	6/8	23/4	3-0	28/5	E	16/7	14/5	30/4	20/8
South Melb.	30/7	23/4	1-1	13/8	7/5	11/6	20/8	9/7	25/6	16/4	A	1-1	28/5	3-0
Olympic	27/8	21/5	30/7	9/7	0-1	2-0	18/6	7/5	23/4	13/8	4/6	C	1-2	16/7
Canberra	13/8	7/5	16/4	2-2	21/5	18/6	1-1	23/4	9/7	30/7	27/8	25/6	U	2-2
Newcastle	1-4	27/8	7/5	23/7	4/6	9/7	0-1	13/8	30/4	21/5	18/6	16/4	2/7	E

N.B.: For every match we took Sunday dates. However, some matches will be played on Saturdays, one day earlier than indicated in the squares.

PHILIPS LEAGUE TABLE

In brackets: Last week's placings	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1 (1) MARCONI	6	4	2	—	13	3	10	3	2	1	—	8	3	5	3	2	1	—	5	—	5
2 (3) SOUTH MELBOURNE	6	3	3	—	10	3	9	3	1	2	—	5	2	4	3	2	1	—	5	1	5
3 (4) WESTERN SUBURBS	6	3	3	—	10	4	9	4	1	3	—	6	4	5	2	2	—	—	4	—	4
4 (2) EAST HAKOAH	6	3	2	1	11	6	8	3	1	1	1	3	4	3	3	2	1	—	8	2	5
5 (5) OLYMPIC	6	3	1	2	6	4	7	3	1	—	2	3	3	2	3	2	1	—	3	1	5
6 (6) CANBERRA	6	1	4	1	10	10	6	3	—	3	—	5	5	3	3	1	1	1	5	5	3
7 (7) WEST ADELAIDE	6	2	2	2	7	7	6	3	1	—	2	4	5	2	3	1	2	—	3	2	4
8 (11) BRISBANE LIONS	6	1	3	2	8	12	5	3	—	2	1	3	6	2	3	1	1	1	5	6	3
9 (9) ST. GEORGE	6	2	—	4	8	10	4	3	1	—	2	4	6	2	3	—	2	1	4	4	2
10 (10) ADELAIDE CITY	6	1	2	3	5	7	4	3	1	—	2	1	2	2	3	—	2	1	4	5	2
11 (8) BRISBANE CITY	6	2	—	4	8	11	4	3	2	—	1	5	4	4	3	—	—	3	3	7	—
12 (14) NEWCASTLE	6	1	2	3	7	13	4	2	—	—	2	1	5	—	4	1	2	1	6	8	4
13 (12) FOOTSCRAY	6	1	2	3	2	8	4	3	—	1	2	1	5	1	3	1	1	1	1	3	3
14 (13) FITZROY	6	1	2	3	4	11	4	3	1	1	1	2	4	3	3	—	1	2	2	7	1

TOP SCORERS

Eaton (Wests) 4.	Fisher (Wests) 3.
Jankovics (Marconi) 4.	Hughes (Lions) 3.
Ollerton (Sth. Melb.) 4.	Marley (Br. City) 3.
Byrne (Canberra) 3.	O'Connor (St. George) 3.
Byrne (Marconi) 3.	Stevenson (Easts) 3.



PHILIPS LEAGUE '78

Let's cut the "aggro" and get back to skills

— By Andrew Dettre —

With the weekend round, sanity will hopefully return to soccer: no referee will be bashed, no grandstand burnt down, no game marred by mayhem which goes under the quaint collective term of "aggro."

The PSL is too fragile an infant to withstand such insane buffetings; soccer, for ever the minority sport in Australia, cannot afford to carry the public image of violence.

Sydney will see two games — and both are marvellous billings. At Marconi, the home team will meet local rivals Western Suburbs, a match that promises action, skill and drama.

Marconi's moderate slump continues and with Gary Byrne almost certainly sidelined with an injury, their unbeaten record looks ready to tumble.

The young strikers, notably Sharpe and Mariani, are not sharp enough in front of goal while in midfield Vieri can be marked out of the game by a really dogged guard, such as East's Bobby Smith.

West's realise that their chance of moving a big step closer to the top has come and will throw everything at the hosts.

In Andy Scott they have gained a most useful new striker who could easily upset the Marconi defence which will be without the suspended general, Prskalo.

At Wentworth Park, two fine stylists of the PSL should put on a classic exhibition in the Easts Hakoah v Adelaide City clash.

East's, already facing defensive problems, will miss the suspended Thomson — but their team plays so well and with so much confidence that this may be a minor handicap.

There is little doubt that they are the form team of the PSL especially with Stevenson, Silva and Bobby Smith controlling the midfield.

Barnes will be back on deck and Terry Smith should be in the starting team instead of Kershaw.

Adelaide City's woes continue; it seems that they have

not got over their Dixie Deans complex.

Reports also indicate that they overdo the slow build-ups and intricate midfield manoeuvres, at the expense of speed and directness, enabling their opponents to plug all the gaps and batten down for the occasional storm.

Still, a team that has such fine players as Perin, Lister, Marochi, Nyskohus and Muniz can never be written off.

All they have to do is click — and they may wipe out the memory of the awful hiding they received last year from Easts.

Newcastle, on top of the world after their initial win, will try to snatch yet another Sydney team's scalp in Olympic.

Although their win last Sunday was full of merit, Newcastle will have to improve further to put together wins in a sequence.

Olympic, under the tough, sergeant-major management of Tommy Anderson, may be enjoying a boom season — at long last, say the long battered Greek fans.

Without any brilliant individuals and relying mainly on simple, down to earth tactics, Olympic have become a homogenous unit striking with the suddenness of a cobra.

With their tight defence, Olympic should be able to cope with the random Newcastle attacks and hope to snatch a goal worth both points.

West Adelaide, innocent witnesses to last week's Middle Park madness, will take on the

polished, articulate but ineffective Footscray.

Gradually climbing up the ladder, the talent-rich West Adelaide are certain to rely on speed and force to break down the resistance of Footscray whose major weakness is over-indulgence in clever but pointless midfield witchery.

Footscray, on skill alone, should be near the top rather than the bottom of the league but they are unlikely to achieve this until their fancy Yugoslavs become more practical in their approach.

Canberra, with four draws behind them already, lick their chops at the thought of tearing apart a hapless Fitzroy, in deep trouble in more ways than one.

Last week Canberra were desperately unlucky not to win in Brisbane, due to a series of peculiar refereeing decisions.

Now they can make amends. Fitzroy, last year's Melbourne glamour club, are falling apart at the seams and coach Tony Boggi must be almost out of his mind to find a remedy for their decline.

Star strikers Buljevic and Cole are having a lean time and without them Fitzroy is a drab pedestrian side — a kind of Australian version of Grimsby Town.

Brisbane Lions play their second successive game at home and will no doubt pray for the presence of yet another sympathetic referee.

Their prayers have already been partly answered in the identity of an unhappy St George, suffering from a massive dose of inferiority complex — and a degree of plain ordinary inferiority as well.

The Saints have a shocking lack of depth and now when things are going wrong for them, they find it almost impossible to effect a major reshuffle.

One match is set down for Melbourne in which Dave McLaren's successfully re-organised South Melbourne are poised to add two points to their impressive tally against Brisbane City.

With Lutton, Baxter, Kent and Ollerton at their peak, there is an aura of authority and certain class about this Melbourne team.

Brisbane City, after some promising displays, have again become ordinary especially away from home.

If ex-Kiwi striker Marley is given room, he can cause havoc to the best of defences — but South Melbourne are unlikely to oblige.

NEWCASTLE

— From Myles Hay —

A twofold reason will bring the crowds thronging into Newcastle International Sports Centre on Saturday when Newcastle KB United meet Sydney Olympic.

Firstly, Newcastle's initial win of the season over St. George last weekend and the return of local favorite Joe Senkalski in the Olympic side, will boost the crowds.

Senkalski, one of the most talented young players in Australia, grew up in the Jesmond area before being captured by Adamstown Rosebuds.

His remarkable maturity for a 16-year-old and his uncanny timing in blistering shots likened him to the evergreen Ron Giles.

Giles recently led the Doyalson RSL team to the final of the NBN Television Cup and walked through to win the trophy with a 4-0 win over Swansea Workers.

Doyalson RSL have been promoted to the Northern NSW Third Division this season and Giles has gathered the nucleus of experienced players around him.

The club will spend \$40,000 on floodlighting the soccer ground which is adjacent to the licensed clubhouse at Doyalson on the Pacific Highway.

Giles' former Wallisend team mate Bruce Morrow, another Australian international forward of note, suffered one of his extremely rare injuries while playing with Newcastle Olympic in the 4th division recently.

After scoring a hat-trick in Olympic's 3-0 win over Garden Suburb, Morrow crashed heavily to break his collarbone in the final minutes of play.

Despite Newcastle KB United's win over St. George last weekend, the search for a consistent goal scoring striker continues.

At last, coach Alan Vest has come up with a possible solution in the form of Bob Mountford, a regular in

the Huddersfield Town side in England.

Mountford will arrive in Australia at the conclusion of the English season and is likely to be drafted straight into the team.

He is reputed to be a regular net fender and could prove the ideal foil for clever ball artist Ken Boden.

Two of Newcastle's players have been included in the Northern NSW under-18 side to take part in the Australian championships in Brisbane next month.

Neil Endacott and Peter Tredinnick will play if coach Vest feels that he can release them for the tournament.

Greg Geise, David Welis, Greg Coultts and Sept Disch from the Newcastle United Coca-Cola Youth League side have also been included in the representative squad, which is coached by former Lake Macquarie defender Jim Wood.

Adelaide

Last season's Adelaide City scoring machine Dixie Deans will not be seen in action for quite some time. Deans is in hospital recovering from injuries that he received in a car accident in Glasgow two weeks ago. He was due to appear in court on April 5 on various charges but could not attend because of the accident. His court case is now postponed to June 13. Deans went to Scotland for the off-season period.

Former West Adelaide midfielder Gordon McCulloch, regular first team choice last season could not regain his spot in the side this year and has left for his home in West Australia.

A report from London said that star striker John Kosmina would return to Adelaide on May 10, to play five or six games during his off season break with Arsenal. Kosmina said that he would consider playing for any of the two Adelaide PSL clubs. My tip is that he will join Adelaide City.

— V. Migliaccio

Fitzroy

1 (0)

FITZROY: Blasby 3, McMillan 3, Proven 3, Tront 2 (O'Reilly: 46m, 2), Tansey 4, **Bannon** 5, Taylor 3, Campbell 3, Bozidakis 3, Cole 4, Buljevic 4.

Goals: 0-1 McGuinness (46m), 1-1 Cole (54m). **Referee:** N. Karlis. **Crowd:** 16,000 (PSL record). **Cautions:** Ollerton O'Reilly.

Struggling Fitzroy played above themselves to hold South Melbourne to a draw. Physical strength was the telling factor in Fitzroy's favor which exposed South Melbourne, especially in midfield. McGuinness, standing in for the injured Cummings, broke through seconds after the restart but

Sth. Melbourne

1 (0)

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Hansen 3, Pye 4, Kalafatis 4, Baxter 3, Hatzamanouel 4, Lutton 3, Wright 3, Rogers 3, Ollerton 3, **Kent** 5, McGuinness 3.

Cole's great shot equalised the score. Towards the end Cole, Campbell and Buljevic missed chances which could have given the match to Fitzroy.

(Match report from last week.)

— CON NIKOLOPOULOS

SYDNEY

One of the most exciting selections in the NSW squad for the Derby County game of May 14 at Sydney Sports Ground is Western Suburbs' fine young right-back Rod Skellern, who only turned 19 in February. Club coach Bruce Stowell has no doubt that Skellern will continue to be successful, the more so because he is ever willing to enquire and listen to advice.

St. George's new right winger, Paraguayan Isadore Acosta is expected in Sydney from Madrid this week. Club president Les Bordacs has found that all correspondence with the Immigration Department in Sydney is in order for their colored Portuguese prospect Jose Maria Francesco to come, so it is the Lisbon offices of the department who seem to be well tied up in red tape which it is hoped will be unravelled shortly.

The ABC have their much-publicised lady news reader Margaret Thorsby, but St. George can do just as well: Mrs Fay Noyes handles all match announcements at Barton Park over the excellent sound system with the greatest of ease.

Bobby Smith, Easts Hakoah's replacement for the transferred Bertie Lutton, arrived from England in March, 1977, and walked in to the club's training to ask for a game. He played mainly in the reserve team, but this year his fitness improved and he has been a regular first team selection. A 90-minute no-frills worker, he reminds club secretary Harry Lakmaker of one of their successes of the early sixties, New Zealander, Ron Kearns. Smith had some experience with Sheffield United.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM OF PHILIPS SOCCER LEAGUE



THIS WEEK

Saturday, April 15

Newcastle v Olympic Sports Centre, 2.30 p.m.
Canberra v Fitzroy Bruce Stadium, 2.45 p.m.

Sunday, April 16

Marconi v Wests Marconi, 3 p.m.
West Adelaide v Footscray Hindmarsh, 2.30 p.m.
Easts Hakoah v Adel. City Wentworth Pk., 3 p.m.
Br. Lions v St. George Perry Pk., 3 p.m.
South Melb. v Bris. City Middle Pk., 3 p.m.

NEXT WEEK

Saturday, April 22

Canberra v Footscray Bruce Stadium 2.45 p.m.

Sunday, April 23

Adel. City v Newcastle Olympic Field, 2.30 p.m.
West. Subs v Easts Hakoah Dural, 3 p.m.
St. George v Fitzroy Barton Park, 3 p.m.
Olympic v Br. Lions Erskineville, 3 p.m.
Br. City v West Adel. Perry Park, 2.30 p.m.
South Melb. v Marconi Middle Park, 3 p.m.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 16: Film starring Mel Brooks and Marty Feldman; HERBIE MARKS — Popular Piano accordionist.
TUESDAY, APRIL 18: Euchre night.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 14: Dance Music with Dennis Williams and Stafford — 8.00 pm. Guest artist — "Julie Bowers" — 8.00 pm.
SATURDAY, APRIL 15: Dance Music with Dennis Williams and Stafford — 8.00 pm. Showtime — Lawrance Ford Duo — 8.00 pm.
SUNDAY, APRIL 16: Disco — 7.30 pm.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19: Disco — 7.30 pm.

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DIV. 1, GRADE 1						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Monaro	3	1	—	9	3	7
Melita	3	—	—	8	2	6
Croatia	2	—	1	6	2	4
Avala	2	—	1	4	1	4
Toongabbie	1	2	—	2	1	4
APIA	1	1	1	5	3	3
Sutherland	1	1	1	2	2	3
Yugal	1	—	1	5	2	2
Auburn	1	—	1	6	4	2
Mv. Olympic	—	2	1	1	4	2
Manly	—	1	3	3	10	2
Arncliffe	—	1	2	—	2	1
Granville	—	—	2	2	7	—
Bankstown	—	—	2	1	8	—

DIV. 1, GRADE 2						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Manly	3	1	—	9	—	7
Croatia	2	1	—	6	2	5
Auburn	2	—	—	12	2	4
Sutherland	2	—	1	12	3	4
Granville	2	—	—	6	2	4
Arncliffe	—	3	—	1	1	3
APIA	—	1	1	2	3	3
Mv. Olympic	—	2	1	4	5	2
Avala	—	1	—	2	7	9
Melita	—	1	—	2	5	8
Toongabbie	—	2	1	4	8	2
Monaro	—	1	—	3	3	12
Bankstown	—	—	—	2	4	8
Yugal	—	—	2	—	12	—

DIV. 1, GRADE 3						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Manly	3	—	—	7	1	6
Sutherland	2	—	—	6	1	4
Arncliffe	2	—	—	1	8	3
Avala	2	—	—	1	8	4
Melita	2	—	—	1	4	4
Granville	1	—	—	2	1	2
Bankstown	1	—	—	1	4	5
Auburn	1	—	—	1	2	3
Toongabbie	1	—	—	2	5	7
Croatia	1	—	—	2	2	5
Yugal	—	—	—	2	2	5
APIA	—	—	—	3	2	7
Mv. Olympic	—	—	—	2	1	7

DIV. 2, GRADE 1						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Blacktown	3	—	—	1	15	3
Ku-ring-gai	3	—	—	12	2	6
Uni. of NSW	3	—	—	1	11	4
Belmore	1	2	—	4	1	4
Revesby	1	2	—	6	4	4
Warringah Sts.	1	1	1	6	2	3
Polonia	1	1	1	3	2	3
Glad.-Hornsby	—	1	1	2	5	1
Marrickville	—	1	3	1	13	1
Guilford	—	—	2	2	7	—
N.S.-Inter	—	—	1	—	5	—
Queens Park	—	—	3	3	16	—

DIV. 2, GRADE 2						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Belmore	4	—	—	9	3	8
Uni. of NSW	3	—	—	1	14	8
Warringah Sts.	1	1	—	1	1	3
Polonia	1	1	1	8	7	3
Queens Park	1	—	—	5	1	2
Ku-ring-gai	1	—	—	1	4	6
Marrickville	—	2	1	5	7	2
Revesby	—	2	—	3	3	2
N.S.-Inter	—	1	—	—	1	—
Blacktown	—	1	1	1	2	1
Gld.-Hornsby	—	—	2	—	3	—
Guilford	—	—	2	2	9	—

DIV. 2, GRADE 3						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Belmore	3	—	—	1	11	3
Revesby	2	—	—	8	1	4
Warringah Sts.	2	—	—	1	8	3
Blacktown	2	—	—	5	1	4
Uni. of NSW	2	—	—	3	1	4
Glad.-Hornsby	2	—	—	2	7	8
Queens Park	1	—	—	1	3	3
Guilford	—	—	1	1	2	—
N.S.-Inter	—	—	2	1	5	—
Polonia	—	—	3	2	9	—
Marrickville	—	—	3	2	11	—

DIV. 3, GRADE 1						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bathurst	1	—	—	8	3	2
Dee Why	1	—	1	5	2	2
Nepean	1	—	—	4	2	2
Yagoona	1	—	—	2	—	2
Glad. Rav.	1	—	—	2	1	2
West Ryde	1	—	—	2	1	2
Lane Cove	1	—	—	1	4	4
Lethbridge	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bondi	—	—	1	2	4	—
Riverstone	—	—	2	3	7	—
Wentworth	—	—	1	1	4	—
Pt. Hacking	—	—	1	3	8	—

DIV. 3, GRADE 2						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Lane Cove	1	1	—	5	4	3
Glad. Rav.	1	—	—	4	—	2
West Ryde	1	—	—	5	2	2
Nepean	1	—	—	5	3	2
Pt. Hacking	1	—	—	3	1	2
Dee Why	1	—	—	1	4	4
Riverstone	—	1	1	5	8	1
Lethbridge	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yagoona	—	—	1	1	2	—
Bondi	—	—	1	3	5	—
Bathurst	—	—	1	1	3	—
Wentworth	—	—	1	—	4	—

DIV. 3, GRADE 3						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Lane Cove	1	1	—	3	1	3
Edensor	1	—	—	7	1	2
Moorebank	1	—	—	5	1	2
South. Dist.	1	—	—	5	2	2
B'town Sp.	1	—	—	3	—	2
Lakemba	1	—	—	1	5	3
Chullora	1	—	—	4	3	2
Maccabi	—	—	—	1	—	—
Greystanes	—	—	—	2	3	8
Mt. Pritchard	—	—	—	2	4	7
Emu Plains	—	—	—	2	2	10
Sth. Sydney	—	—	—	2	3	10

DIV. 3, GRADE 3						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Pt. Hacking	1	—	—	4	—	2
Nepean	1	—	—	5	2	2
Wentworth	1	—	—	4	1	2
Lane Cove	—	2	—	1	1	2
Riverstone	—	2	—	1	1	2
Dee Why	1	—	1	3	5	2
West Ryde	—	1	—	1	1	1
Yagoona	—	1	—	1	1	1
Lethbridge	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bondi	—	—	1	2	5	—
Glad. Rav.	—	—	1	1	3	—
Bathurst	—	—	1	—	4	—

DIV. 4, GRADE 1						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Padstow	2	—	—	10	6	4
Ryde	1	1	—	9	2	3
Sydney Uni.	1	1	—	5	2	3
Greenwich	1	—	—	3	2	2
Baulkham H.	—	2	—	4	4	2
Campbelltown	—	1	—	2	2	1
Ashcroft	—	1	—	2	2	1
Fairfield	—	1	—	2	2	1
Hurstville	—	1	—	1	6	8
Artarmon	—	1	—	1	2	3
Nth. B'town	—	1	—	1	3	—
Holroyd	—	2	—	2	11	—

DIV. 4, GRADE 2						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Padstow	2	—	—	5	1	4
Baulkham H.	1	1	—	8	4	3
Artarmon	1	—	—	6	2	2
Campbelltown	1	—	—	4	—	2
Hurstville	1	—	1	4	2	2
Nth. B'town	1	—	—	3	1	2
Ryde	1	—	1	4	5	2
Ashcroft	—	1	—	3	3	1
Fairfield	—	1	—	1	4	—
Greenwich	—	—	1	2	6	—
Holroyd	—	—	2	2	8	—
Sydney Uni.	—	—	2	2	8	—

DIV. 5, GRADE 1						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Chelsea	2	—	—	5	3	4
Kingsford	1	1	—	7	4	3
Bonnyrigg	1	—	—	5	1	2
Maroubra	1	—	—	4	1	2
Revesby Rov.	1	—	—	2	—	2
Paddington	—	2	—	3	3	2
Eastwood	—	1	1	3	4	1
Belfield	—	—	—	—	—	—
Haberfield	—	—	1	1	2	—
North Rocks	—	—	1	1	4	—
North Ryde	—	—	1	1	5	—
Auburn Jnrs.	—	—	2	2	7	—

DIV. 5, GRADE 2						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Paddington	2	—	—	4	2	4
Auburn Jnrs.	1	1	—	7	4	3
Bonnyrigg	1	—	—	6	1	2
North Rocks	1	—	—	3	1	2
Chelsea	1	—	—	1	3	2
Eastwood	1	—	—	1	2	2
Kingsford	—	1	1	4	5	1
Belfield	—	—	—	—	—	—
Haberfield	—	—	1	1	3	—
Maroubra	—	—	1	1	3	—
Revesby Rov.	—	—	1	1	4	—
North Ryde	—	—	1	1	6	—

DIV. 6, GRADE 1						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Concordia	1	1	—	4	3	3
Hawkesbury	1	1	—	3	2	3
East. Creek	1	—	—	7	2	2
Fairfield W.	1	—	—	1	—	5
W. Holroyd	1	—	—	3	1	2
St. George	—	1	—	3	3	1
Pagewood	—	1	—	—	—	1
Prospect	—	1	—	—	—	1
Camden	—	1	—	1	4	5
Macq. Uni.	—	1	—	1	2	4
Canley Hgts.	—	1	—	1	2	7
Green Valley	—	—	2	3	9	—

DIV. 6, GRADE 2						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fairfield W.	1	—	—	5	—	2
East. Creek	1	—	—	6	3	2
Macq. Uni.	1	—	—	1	4	2
St. George	1	—	—	1	3	1
Camden	1	—	—	1	4	3
Prospect	1	—	—	1	3	2
W. Holroyd	1	—	—	1	—	2
Concordia	1	—	—	1	2	2
Canley Hgts.	1	—	—	1	4	6
Pagewood	—	—	1	2	3	—
Green Valley	—	—	2	1	7	—
Hawkesbury	—	—	2	1	7	—

DIV. 7,

WORLD NEWS

Kaiserlautern's ace striker Toppmoller has changed his mind about going to Spain and has re-signed for the German club.

Rumor has it that Barcelona and Hamburg may exchange their stars, Neeskens and Keegan after June.

More than 11,000 spectators turned up to watch Cosmos — at their first training in New Jersey.

Beckenbauer, sick of living in a hotel, is looking for an apartment in New York's East side.

Beckenbauer has signed a contract to advertise American Express and Toyota on American TV.

Partizan's Yugoslav international striker Santrac is approaching his 200th goal in first division.

Laszlo Kubala will have four helpers during the World Cup, attached to the Spanish delegation: Santamaria, Ruiz, Pereda and Biosca.

The English FA has forbidden any of the 92 League clubs to engage Don Revie, now in Saudi Arabia, for having broken his contract as England manager.

Eusebio's career is fast declining: the once great Portuguese star is now playing for Hong Kong's Seiko club and will soon return to the USA where he will appear for the Las Vegas Quicksilvers.

You can do something with that: Barcelona's gate taking in the Euro-Cup against Aston Villa was a cool \$400,000.

The Italian Association has decreed that as from the 1979 season, one foreigner per team will be allowed.

Friendly matches are dead losses even in Europe: Hertha Berlin had 3000 fans, paying a meagre \$4000, to watch Feyenoord at the Olympic Stadium.

VfB Stuttgart is fast approaching the 800,000 spectator mark this season — a new Bundesliga record. With average ticket prices being \$5, this means an income of \$4m.

Austria's freeback Bruno Pezzey is likely to join Frankfurt next season — for \$600,000.

Leeds United have signed Paul Hart, Blackpool's midfielder, for \$460,000.

The Danish Association voted 100 to 10 to end the amateur tradition in Denmark. Already 700 part-time pro contracts have been signed and several big sponsorships secured.

Third division Danish club Herning have offered a \$37,000 player-coach contract to Bobby Moore, 36. Herning's average crowd is 3000 — but they have secured a \$75,000 p.a. sponsorship from a petrol company.

The latest tip is that Helenio Herrera may return to CF Barcelona as general manager with his long-time protegee, Luiz Suarez, as coach. Herrera was in Barcelona from 1958 to 1960 and now earns his living in Italy as a journalist while Suarez is coaching second division Como.

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In his youth, Neeskens played for the Dutch international youth team — in baseball.

Neeskens regards Cruyff as the best player of all times, ahead of Pele and Di Stefano. However, another worthy contender, Ferenc Puskas says that Cruyff, though "good", couldn't have lived with the great "Don" Alfredo Di Stefano at his peak.

Piri, captain of Real Madrid, has received a salary increase, taking him up to the earnings of the German Stielike — \$95,000 a season.

Laszlo Kubala, manager of Spain, 55, is exactly the same weight as he was when he finished his great career with Barcelona in the 1950s.

Brazil's Serginho, in the larger World Cup squad, has received a 14-month suspension for striking a referee. That's the end of the Copa for him.

Santamaria, the former great Uruguay and Real Madrid star, is rumored to become the next coach of Real Madrid. Another aspirant is the Austrian Ernst Happel, now coach of the Belgian Bruges — and Holland.

The Swiss Federation will decide this week whether it will permit advertising signs on players' shirts.

Boninsegna has played his 350th match in the Italian first division. His clubs have been Cagliari, Inter and Juventus.

Sweden beat East Germany 1-0 in Leipzig and Austria defeated Switzerland 2-1 in Basel, in friendly matches.

Hungary will play Czechoslovakia in Budapest this week in a World Cup preparation game.

Brazil's manager Claudio Coutinho believes in discipline: he is a captain in the Army.

Shock for the world champions: in Hamburg Brazil beat West Germany 1-0 with a goal by Nunez.

Rumor has it that Johan Cruyff will change his mind in the last minute and still play for Holland — for the "token" inducement of \$2,000,000.

The Dutch team intends to take their own security guards to Argentina, looking after the team's safety. The Argentinians are not flattered.

Trouble is brewing in Peru where an argument rages whether the players' wives should be allowed to accompany their husbands to Argentina. As they say, the women are up in arms.

Spain's immediate programme before the World Cup: April 26 v Mexico (Granada), May 24 v Uruguay (Montevideo), May 26 v Penarol (Montevideo).

Sweden's tall striker Ralf Edstroem is back in training after a cartilage operation. The tune-up games: April 19 v West Germany (Stockholm), May 18 v Czechoslovakia (Stockholm).

German fans have resigned to the fact that Paul Breitner, the former international great, now with Braunschweig, will not be in the national team, having failed to patch up his personal differences with manager Schoen.

In all the turmoil, the Argentinian Association has forgotten to write to Europe seeking the releases of Piazza (St. Etienne), Wolff (Real Madrid) and Mario Kempes (Valencia). Now it may be too late.

Argentinian World Cup candidate Ricardo Vila wants to quit the squad — so he can sign for a Houston club in the USA. And his present club, Racing of Buenos Aires, is pushing his case — they need the \$500,000 fee.

The Hungarian squad will leave Budapest on May 12 and spend 14 days in western Europe before flying to Argentina. They will play Schalke (May 15), Frankfurt (May 20), England (May 24) and Strasbourg or Sochaux (May 26).

It's possible that the only survivor from Argentina's 1974 World Cup team will be Rene Housemann who has been capped 41 times.

Now that Gatti has been expelled from the Argentinian squad, manager Menotti is certain to rely on Balei and Fillol.

Over half of Peru's team is likely to come from two clubs, champions Alianza Lima and Sporting Cristal.

This is likely to be the initial Hungarian squad: Gujdar, Z. Toth, Meszaros, Torok, Balint, Kerek, J. Toth, Paroczai, Kerek, A. Nagy, Vegh, Martos, Lukacs, Kocsis, Nyilasi, Pinter, Zombori, Rab, Pasztor, Csongradi, Ebedli, Halasz, Csapo, Fazekas, Torocsik, Varady, Majer, Izso, Magyar, Pusztai and Kovacs. The squad is training once a week, on Mondays while the clubs play two championship matches, on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Ten days before the first squad of 40 players must be announced, it's likely that Scotland manager Ally McLeod will use this as the nucleus of his team: Blyth, Rough, Clark, Donachie, Albiston, Miller, Kennedy, McQueen, Forsyth, Jardine, Burns, Buchan, Rioch, Masson, Hartford, Gemmill, Macari, Souness, Jordan, Dalglish, Johnston, Robertson, Graham, Wallace and Gray — a mighty formidable "plantilla" at that.

Scotland's midfield star Bruce Rioch was actually born near London but can play for the Scots because both his parents hail from there.

Peru is engaging a psychiatrist to help the players overcome the mental burden of playing Holland and Scotland in the same group. The team's preparations are run by a government-appointed committee.

Peru's leading goalie is the naturalised, Argentinian-born Ramon Quiroga, 25, nicknamed "loco" (madman) because of his forays out of goal.

Not one of the 22 players in the West German World Cup squad are likely to be from the Saar region — from where the Association president Hermann Neuberger, assistant coach and Schon successor Jupp Derwall, team doctor Heinrich Hess and World Cup referee Ferdinand Biwersi all come.

Danny McGrain, the brilliant Celtic fullback, is definitely out of the Scotland squad because of injury and illness.



Real Madrid's brilliant Spanish international winger Juanito in action against Feyenoord.

Austria suffered their first loss in 14 internationals when they went down 2-0 to Belgium, before beating Switzerland 2-1.

Europe's player of the year, the Danish Alan Simonsen, tips Brazil to win the World Cup.

Brings back some nostalgia for Sydney fans: the latest goalie of the Austrian national team is called Baumgartner (Hubert).

Tscheu La Ling, the Dutch-born Chinese winger of Ajax, is certain to be appearing for Holland in the World Cup. Holland's final tune-up games will be in Paris on May 16 and 18 and in Vienna on May 20.



Scene from Brazil v West Germany, two of the World Cup favourites.

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